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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

For Hearing on Thursday, April 4, 2019 2:05 p.m., Conference Room 308

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Senate Bill No. 166, Senate Draft 1 Relating to the State Budget

TO CHAIRPERSON LUKE, VICE CHAIR CULLEN AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 166, Senate Draft 1 is to establish in the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) a recruitment modernization program to address issues State departments are having with regard to recruitment.

DHRD **strongly supports** this measure, with amendments, as it will provide DHRD with the support and necessary resources to test, analyze, and implement solutions to the recruitment problems faced by the executive departments.

DHRD respectfully requests that Section 2, lines 18 – 19 on page 2 be amended to read as follows:

"(B) [Customization] Exploration of [the department's] recruitment software to expedite hiring;"

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify on this measure and we are extremely appreciative of your continued support.

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII





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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the House Committee on FINANCE

Thursday, April 4, 2019 2:05 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 308

In consideration of SENATE BILL 166, SENATE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Senate Bill 166, Senate Draft 1 proposes to establish in the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) a recruitment modernization program to address employee recruitment problems faced by the State's executive departments. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this measure.**

The Department is one of five departments participating in DHRD's Pilot Program as part of its joint effort with DHRD in modernizing the State's recruitment program. By providing DHRD with additional resources, their staff will have the means and funding to support departments in their recruitment efforts.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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SENATE BILL NO. 166 SD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chairperson Luke and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on Senate Bill 166, SD1. This bill establishes in the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) a recruitment modernization program to address issues State departments are having in regard to recruitment. The Department supports this bill.

For the past several years the Department has had difficulties in filling vacant positions and retaining qualified employees. To increase our hiring rate, the Department will be partnering with the DHRD in this proposed endeavor. The Department is committed to collaborating with DHRD's specialty teams to streamline its recruitment processing; simplify classification specifications and minimum qualification requirements for Department specific classes of work (i.e. Noxious Weed Specialist); and ensuring maximum utilization of existing pay and compensation programs and exploring other options to offer competitive wages.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

